

BPAC RESOLUTION #5-2004

A RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING THAT MIAMI-DADE TRANSIT ELIMINATE THE BIKE & RIDE PERMIT REQUIREMENT FOR METRORAIL AND REPLACE IT WITH A BIKE & RIDE EDUCATION AND OUTREACH PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade Metropolitan Planning Organization Governing Board has established the Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) to advise it on bicycle/pedestrian matters; and

WHEREAS, the Bike & Ride program was created in 1984 as the "Bike on Train" program and expanded to include Metrobus in 1995;

WHEREAS, since the creation of the Bike & Ride program, access to Metrorail and Metrobus has been restricted by the requirement that bicyclists obtain a "Bike & Ride" permit;

WHEREAS, in September, 2003, MDT began a one-year evaluation of changes to the Bike & Ride program that included allowing bicycles on Metrorail at all hours and in all cars, allowing bicycles on Metromover and eliminating the permit requirement for bicycles on Metrobus;

WHEREAS, a review by the MDT Safety Office shows that no complaints about bicycles have been received from MDT patrons since these changes have been made;

WHEREAS, educating transit patrons on the safe use of bicycles and the benefits of the Bike & Ride program is a more effective way to increase ridership and maintain MDT's safety record than the current permit system;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION FOR THE MIAMI URBANIZED AREA:

THAT: the Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee recommends that Miami-Dade Transit eliminate the Bike & Ride permit process and replace it with a Bike & Ride education and outreach program.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Brett Bibeau, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Sheila Boyce, and being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Brett Bibeau - aye	Amado Leon - absent
Sheila Boyce - aye	Ted Silver - aye
Barry Burak - absent	Susan Smith - absent
Susan Kairalla - aye	

The Chair thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 22th day of September, 2004

BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE (BPAC)

BY



David Henderson, BPAC Secretariat